



Population Health Webinar notes

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Slide 3: As previously mentioned in last month's webinar, as of May 11th, the updated regulations for Infectious or Contagious Diseases and Conditions have gone into effect.

The full set of regulations can be found by following this [link](#).

Slide 4: We have scheduled nine regional trainings to provide our stakeholders updates to the disease and condition reporting, isolation and quarantine, and rabies control regulations. There will be two separate courses offered on KS-TRAIN: the first will review the changes to the reportable disease list, timeframes to report, specimen submission guidelines, and mandated reporting; the second course will review the changes to the isolation and quarantine regulation and the rabies control regulation. You may sign up for one or both depending on your role and interest. Continuing education credits (CME, CNE, CEU/CE, and PACE) will be provided for these trainings. These trainings are meant for physicians, nurses, physician assistants, LHD and hospital administrators, laboratorians, and local health department staff. These are free, in-person trainings. Lunches and snacks are provided at some locations.

Slide 5: This first table shows the currently scheduled trainings that will go over the changes to the regulations, reporting requirements, and specimen submission requirements.

The second table shows the currently scheduled trainings that will go over the changes to isolation and quarantine and rabies control.

Two additional trainings will be scheduled in Ellinwood, KS and Great Bend, KS in August. Those dates and times will be posted soon.

You will need to have a KS-TRAIN account to register for these sessions.

The course numbers are listed by the titles in these tables.

Slide 6: We have an additional training entitled “Blood Lead Poisoning Regulation Changes and Options for Lead Care II Analyzer Users”.

This webinar is aimed at providers who utilize the Lead Care II Analyzer, or a similar point of care machine, for blood lead testing. The webinar will cover the impact of the regulation changes, discuss reporting options, demonstrate a new web-based application for reporting test results, and provide an opportunity to give feedback.

We sent registration emails to known Lead Care II Analyzer users. If you did not receive and email and would like to join the webinar, please email Cory Brockman at Cory.Brockman@ks.gov .

Slide 7: Investigating a cluster of five cases of Cyclospora in a rural county. The county is in the process of interviewing all patients. No common exposures have been identified yet and this does not appear to be part of the larger multi-state outbreak associated with Del Monte pre-cut fresh vegetables.

STEC outbreak in a daycare in Reno County – eight confirmed cases – onset dates from 4/20 to 5/20. All children were excluded until two negative stool cultures.

Cluster of Clostridium difficile at KU. 15 patients affected. Two KDHE staff went to KU and did a modified infection control assessment to identify potential routes of transmission.

Varicella: Douglas County. There are 11 cases right now. 10 are confirmed, one is probable. Onset of the last case was 6/18/2018. No current exclusions because all of the initial exclusions have been completed and the recent onsets have been home for the summer and not at school.

Slide 8: West Nile virus surveillance has started for the year. West Nile virus is the most common mosquito borne disease in Kansas and the United States. The *Culex* species is the primary vector for West Nile virus in Kansas and the United States.

Mosquito surveillance continues this year in Reno, Sedgwick and Shawnee Counties. In addition, we collect mosquito surveillance data from three additional partners throughout the state. We are using this data to develop weekly risk levels from mid-May through mid-October, and they serve as a proxy for West Nile virus transmission risk for the entire state.

We have refined the WNV risk levels. The levels are now based on:

- Presence and abundance of *Culex* spp. of mosquitoes.
- Average temperature for the previous two weeks.
- Historical data indicators for the weeks of increased WNV human cases.

Slide 9: The current WNV risk levels have the whole state at a moderate risk level, which is being driven by the increasing temperatures.

These maps are updated weekly and are available at:
http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/arboviral_disease.htm.

Slide 10: The KSEPHT program has created a new topic page for prescribed burning. If you go to the Tracking home page by following this link, you can find the topic page under “Environmental Exposures”.

Slide 11: And, by clicking on the “Search Data” button, you can see the number of acres burned each year during the Flint Hills burning season between 2000 and 2018.

Slide 12: There are seven new indicators related opioids prescribed to Medicare Part D beneficiaries available now on *Kansas Health Matters*.

Slide 13: The May 2018 *Kansas Health Statistics Report* is now available.

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Slide 34: Holly Frye, previously the Arthritis Program Manager, will step into her new position as Cancer Program Manager starting July 2. Ahmed Ismail is the newest member to BHP and will fill the role of Cancer Program Epidemiologist. Penny Prokop has changed positions and is now filling the role as Contract Specialist. Lauren Lauridsen is the Community Clinical Linkages Program Manager with Jessica McGinnis as Health Educator.

Slide 35: A set of leader trainings for CDSMP and DSMP is set up the same as the one I just discussed. This set of leader trainings will be at the Coffeyville Regional Medical Center. The dates are July 23, 24, 30 and 31 for CDSMP. As I mentioned before, to participate in the DSMP leader training you must be previously trained as a CDSMP leader and that training will be held on August 1st. This one is also free. IF you are interested or have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to Tami Sterling.

Slide 36: The Kansas Cancer Partnership or KCP wants you to know that their next meeting will be on July 31, at the Engineering Extension at K-State in Manhattan.

Slide 37: The Bureau of Oral Health has asked I share this on their behalf. On Friday, August 10 in Olathe at the Embassy Suites and Conference Center, they will be having their annual school sealant meeting for all our partners who provided outreach preventive dental services in schools throughout Kansas. Up to seven CE credits will be available. Those with questions or who wish to attend should RSVP to Michelle Mieses.